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To whom it may Concern,

Further to our conversation today with Acting Supervisor Ms. Carol Cheney, please find enclosed a copy of the Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 along with the English Verified Translation of JP Priority Document No. 11-267001, that was previously filed on May 27, 2003. Also, attached is our date-stamped mailroom receipt evidencing the filing of the same.

We respectfully request that the Amendment be properly entered into PTO's PALM and PAIR systems, and that a decision on the Amendment be reached before Applicant's next Extension of Time is due.

Should there be any questions, please contact us.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in the above-captioned application.

Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

A Request for Extension of Time. X A verified English translation of the Japanese priority document No. 11-267001.
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action of February 26, 2003, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on May 27, 2003 (May 26 being a national holiday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding objections and rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Final Official Action in view of the herein-contained amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend specification as follows:

Please delete, in its entirety, the paragraph on page 21 beginning line 19.

Page 1, after the title (after line 2) please insert the following: